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MONTANA SENATE 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: Chair Dee Brown, on January 11, 2017 at 3:00 PM, in Room 335 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Dee Brown, Chair (R)
Sen. Douglas (Doug) Kary, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Sue Malek (D)
Sen. Ryan Osmundson (R)
Sen. Frank Smith (D)
Sen. Nels Swandal (R)
Sen. Gordon Vance (R)

Members Excused: Sen. Lea Whitford (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Barbara Pietuch, Committee Secretary
Rachel Weiss, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 87, 1/9/2017

00:00:01 Chair Brown

HEARING ON SB 87

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:56 Sen. Keith Regier (R), SD 3, opened the hearing on SB 87, Revise campaign finance report laws.

00:02:22 Sen. Malek entered the meeting.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony:

00:03:26 Denise Roth Barber, managing director, National Institute on Money in State Politics (FollowTheMoney.org)

EXHIBIT(sts08a01)

00:10:26 Katy Westhoff, campus organizer, Montana Public Interest Research Group

00:11:25 Lauren Caldwell, Montana Education Association - Montana Federation of Teachers (MEA-MFT)

00:12:18 Jonathan Motl, commissioner, Office of the Commissioner of Political Practices (COPP)

EXHIBIT(sts08a02)

00:12:54 Sen. Smith entered the meeting.

00:17:01 Andrew Huff, chief legal council, Governor's Office (GO)

00:18:48 Dani Howlett, volunteer, Common Cause Montana

00:19:34 Claudette Morton, Board of Directors co-president, League of Women Voters of Montana

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:20:39 Chair Brown

00:21:06 Mr. Huff, GO

00:21:41 Chair Brown

00:21:53 Sen. Osmundson

00:22:26 Mr. Huff

00:22:49 Sen. Osmundson

00:22:59 Mr. Huff

00:23:26 Sen. Kary

00:24:05 Sen. Regier

00:24:19 Mr. Motl, COPP

00:24:54 Chair Brown

00:25:00 Sen. Malek

00:25:28 Sen. Regier

00:26:05 Sen. Malek
00:27:09 Sen. Regier
00:27:20 Sen. Malek
00:27:49 Sen. Regier

Closing by Sponsor:

00:28:06 Sen. Regier
00:28:38 Chair Brown

Committee Business

00:29:26 Chair Brown

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 3:30 PM

Barbara Pietuch, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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